

REMARKS

This is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated August 10, 2004. The Notice indicated that only the non-compliant section of Applicant's previously filed response need be submitted. Thus, a fully-compliant AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS section, which includes a complete listing of all the claims, each with a status identifier, and presented in ascending order, is provided herewith.

Applicant submits that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections and rejections set forth in the above-noted Office Action, and an early Notice of Allowance are requested.

If the Examiner has any comments or suggestions that could place this application in even better form, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned attorney at the below-listed number.

Respectfully submitted,

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